

20 September 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 20 September 1965

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R. Jack Smith reported that the next meeting of various Government officials with us here on Southeast Asia will be at 3:00 p.m. on 29 September. The Vice President has accepted an invitation. George Lodge and Kissinger will be included. The DCI will want to meet with Kissinger privately before or after the conference that day.

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Kent noted that the SNIE requested by SecDef on Vietnam will be ready for USIB discussion Thursday. The Reps will meet tomorrow after having conferred with their principals. Kent noted that State Intelligence is in virtual total opposition to the thrust of the SNIE as it now stands.

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[] noted that the Watch Committee had met in special session yesterday and had issued a report.

Houston reminded that a number of Congressmen will be in the building for an informal breakfast session on 22 September.

Bross reported that he and DDS&T have conversed with various NRO principals. The DCI agreed that nothing need be done now to expedite NRO reorganization until 1 October. We will, meanwhile, monitor any negative initiatives that might be taken in this field. (See Action 3)

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DDS&T reported that a power supply problem had caused further slippage of the [] shot. It will be attempted today. If it cannot be launched, a CORONA, which is on the pad, will be sent.

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DDS&T reported that a letter to Hyland has been prepared in response to DCI's recent request covering various matters of concern raised by the Panel. Duckett will deliver the letter personally to Hyland. DCI noted that he had written to Hyland and General Davis about the Panel's concern over the AN-22, and that Duckett can retrieve this letter when he sees Hyland.

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DCI noted the desirability of ensuring that DDI, DDP, and DDS&T become familiar with U.S. Army, Navy, and Air Force R&D programs. DCI said he would take soundings with the military R&D chiefs to see what may be arranged.

ACTIONS

1. As regards the detailed annex to the recent SNIE on Soviet ability to conceal development of strategic weapons, and the USIB decision that the annex would not be disseminated, DCI directed return from all agencies outside the Intelligence Community of any copies of this annex. They are to be considered working papers and are not for dissemination. (DDI -- by the end of this week)

2. DCI reminded OGC of the need for DCI to meet with Senator Russell and of the desirability of another session with Rep. Mahon. (OGC)

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3. DCI asked that DNRO Designate [] be invited to lunch here at the Building at an appropriate time. (D/DCI/NIPE -- 29 September)

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4. To permit DDCI to advise and consult with the White House on the matter of U-2 coverage [] DDS&T is to advise DDCI if and when weather clears for such operations. (DDS&T)

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5. DCI directed that all hands prepare commentary and plans for implementation of the annexes of the Long Range CIA Plan. These are to be submitted to the Executive Director. Each Deputy Directorate is to assign this task to a specific officer or officers and arrangements are to be made to provide for annual updating of this plan. (Executive Director)

6. DCI noted the need to formalize procedures by which NIE's and other finished intelligence are used to stimulate and pinpoint intelligence collection. If a written SOP or directive does not exist, one is to be prepared. (DDI in consultation with DDP and DDS&T as appropriate -- 1 October)

7. Noting the importance of nuclear power for propulsion and the need to spot any Soviet developments in this field, DCI directed that arrangements be made for the panel of consultants in the space field to examine this subject. The panel should include an expert on nuclear propulsion. (DDS&T)

8. DCI wants to meet with [] when the latter is here for briefings next week. (DDS&T)

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9. DCI referred to some continuing problems on weekends and directed that DDI ensure that the senior duty officer in the Watch Office keep the weekend DCI duty officer fully and completely informed on all matters pertaining to DCI concerns. (DDI)

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